



Indiana Growth Model *Fact Sheet*

What?

The Indiana Growth Model uses a statistical model to calculate each student's progress, or growth, on state assessments. The Growth Model can be used to display students, school and district results to educators and the public. Based on the Colorado Growth Model, the Student Growth Percentile method assesses the growth of every student by comparing individual students to students who begin at similar levels of achievement to determine relative growth over time. The goal is to focus on the outputs of education and expect progress from all students, not just those close to passing.

Who?

Indiana students will be measured on I-STEP+ scores from one year to the next. From there, student growth is summarized for each school and school corporation. All are displayed on a four cell chart that places in them into one of the four categories:

1. High achieving/high growth
2. High achieving/low growth
3. Low achieving/high growth
4. Low achieving/low growth

Why?

The expectation at the Indiana Department of Education is for all students to achieve one year of growth no matter where they start. The Growth Model allows parents, teachers and administrators to see progress made by a student year over year.

When?

With the public release on Feb. 10th, Indiana begins a three-phase roll out of growth data. Administrators around the state have received Phase I information and have already begun to examine their data. Phase II will follow later this winter, allowing schools to receive a more detailed report on their students and entire corporation. Phase III will take off in late spring using the recently released Learning Connection website to provide educators and schools with secure access to individual students growth data.

Where?

For more information on how to access the Indiana Growth Model, go to:

<http://www.doe.in.gov/growthmodel/>.